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permit that's to be issued by the Department of Roads, that's done to help consolidate and make this transition over to the new division of DMV. We also will then take the cash fund and the Interstate Motor Carriers Base State Compact Cash Fund and move that over to this new division. That's a housekeeping thing to take the cash funds and get rid of them so they aren't out there and we can combine them. We also change the operative dates to make all of this work. So the full regulation of the household good movers can be done right away. The remainder of the bill is going to, except for the interstate insurance registration program, will be July 1st of 1996. The transfer of the interstate insurance registration program and the sending over of the enforcement duties, over to Carrier Enforcement, would be done January 1st of 1997. Those are basically a summary of what the committee amendments do. The policy choice that I think you're going to get to make is do we want to go ahead and do this restructuring. This is one that has been studied for quite a while. I think this new division will, over time, show us some savings because you're going to be able to cross-train people, it's going to make it much easier for the trucking industry to deliver this service. Instead of waiting several weeks, you should be able to cut that down to a week to ten days, so it's more efficient for them. It's also a lot easier for us to monitor what's going on, and that it's easier for us to look at one department, who's going to do these things. As you look at the handout, the items in red that are under each one of the divisions are the items that are being transferred and moved into the new Division of Motor Carriers at DMV. If you look at the fiscal note, this should not have a major impact on the fiscal note by doing this. The savings are in the committee amendment that's being added. And, with that, I'd be happy to answer any questions. Senator Withem, just for an ease of explaining it, before people begin, I'd like to yield the remainder of my time to Senator Avery to discuss his LB 1288 that's a portion of the committee amendment, to explain that. I'd be happy to answer any questions.

SPEAKER WITHEM PRESIDING

SPEAKER WITHEM: Actually, Senator Avery, yours is the first light on. I would yield to you for up to six minutes, one minute of Senator Kristensen's time and then your time.

SENATOR AVERY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Members, this bill and